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NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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(North Dakota) Kemps, LLC agrees to resolve risk management violation at Fargo, North Dakota dairy processing facility. Kemps, LLC entered into a settlement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency September 15 and agreed to pay \$57,000 in penalties to resolve allegations that the company violated risk management provisions of the Clean Air Act and stored anhydrous ammonia in amounts exceeding legal thresholds at its dairy processing facility in Fargo.

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/596e17d7cac720848525781f0043629e/9002db51aea0fed785257d540075f3a3!OpenDocument>

(North Dakota) Federal agencies approve Basin Electric's transmission plan in North Dakota. A proposed Basin Electric Power Cooperative transmission line that would carry power from a substation near the center of North Dakota to the state's booming northwestern Bakken oil patch won approvals from the U.S. Forest Service and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service.

<http://www.utilitydive.com/news/federal-agencies-approve-basin-electrics-transmission-plan-in-north-dakota/310172/>

(North Dakota) \$6.5M North Dakota propane terminal funneling oil patch fuel to region. Officials see a new propane terminal at Hannaford as a way to combat the shortages and high prices seen last year. The \$6.5 million terminal is a project of CHS and Central Plains Ag Services and will bring propane from the Oil Patch to users in eastern North Dakota.

http://www.twincities.com/nation/ci_26565845/6-5m-north-dakota-propane-terminal-funneling-oil

REGIONAL

(Montana) GlaxoSmithKline Vaccines agrees to resolve risk management violation at Hamilton, Montana facility. GlaxoSmithKline Vaccines agreed September 15 to pay a civil penalty of \$172,900 to resolve a Clean Air Act violation issued at its Hamilton, Montana facility after regulators found the company failed to submit a risk management plan due to its on-site quantity of chloroform. The company corrected the violation and submitted a risk management plan for the facility.

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<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/F718FDF86212909085257D5400761B8D>

(Idaho; Washington) After 19 hour shutdown I-90 is back open. A 6-mile stretch of Interstate 90 from the Liberty Lake exit in Washington to the Pleasant View Road exit in Idaho reopened September 15 after closing for 19 hours while crews cleaned about a 1 gallon spill of anhydrous trimethylamine September 14.

<http://www.khq.com/story/26529182/update-i-90-remains-closed-after-chemical-spill-detours-in-place>

NATIONAL

(National) U.S. Pushes Back Against Warnings That ISIS Plans to Enter From Mexico. Conservative groups and leading Republicans have issued stark warnings like those that ISIS and other extremists from Syria are planning to enter the country illegally from Mexico. But the Homeland Security Department, the F.B.I. and lawmakers who represent areas near the border say there is no truth to the warnings. http://www.nytimes.com/2014/09/16/us/us-pushes-back-against-warnings-that-isis-plans-to-enter-from-mexico.html?_r=1

(Pennsylvania) State Police officer dies in Pennsylvania ambush. One member of the Pennsylvania State Police was killed and another was seriously injured when a suspect or suspects shot them at the Blooming Grove Township barracks September 12 during a shift change. Police in New Jersey and New York were helping in the search for those responsible. <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/09/14/us/state-police-officer-dies-in-pennsylvania-ambush.html>

(National) Missing Afghan soldiers reportedly found near Canadian border. Three Afghan National Army officers who vanished from a Cape Cod military base where they had been taking part in a training exercise have reportedly been found near Niagara Falls, where they were trying to cross into Canada. <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2014/09/22/three-afghan-soldiers-reported-missing-from-cape-cod-base/>

(National) EPA settles with DuPont over violations of federal pesticide laws that led to widespread tree deaths and damage. DuPont to pay \$1,853,000 penalty to

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resolve alleged violations of pesticide reporting and distribution laws. E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company (DuPont) entered into a settlement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) September 15 and agreed to pay more than \$1.8 million in penalties to resolve allegations that the company failed to properly disclose the risks of using one of its herbicides, Imreliis, which contributed to widespread damage to tree species throughout the U.S. The EPA ordered DuPont to stop selling and distributing Imreliis in August 2011 after the agency received more than 7,000 reports of tree damage or tree deaths related to the application of the herbicide.

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/596e17d7cac720848525781f0043629e/c7b2b4f94c0f3a0285257d54005ca7da!OpenDocument>

INTERNATIONAL

(International) Scotland Rejects Independence as U.K. Vows to Give It More Power. Scotland voted to stay in the U.K. in a referendum on independence, stepping back from a breakup of the 307-year-old union while wringing promises of more financial power from Prime Minister.

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-09-19/scotland-rejects-independence-as-u-k-wins-reprieve.html>

(International) Australia raids foil reported ISIS beheading plots. Australian counterterrorism forces detained 15 people Thursday in a series of suburban raids after receiving intelligence that the Islamic State militant group was planning public beheadings in two Australian cities to demonstrate its reach.

<http://www.foxnews.com/world/2014/09/18/australia-terror-raid-prompted-by-isis-plans-for-public-killing-pm-says/>

(International) Home Depot breach bigger than Target at 56 million cards. Home Depot officials reported September 18 that 56 million payment cards were likely compromised when attackers used custom-built malware to breach the networks of stores in the U.S. and Canada between April and September 8 when the breach was detected. Costs associated with the breach are estimated to total \$62 million to date. <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/09/18/us-home-depot-dataprotection-idUSKBN0HD2J420140918>

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(International) Website of U.S. oil and gas company abused in watering hole attack. Researchers at Bromium found that attackers injected malicious code into the Web site of an unnamed U.S. oil and gas company in an effort to infect the computers of its visitors, known as a watering hole attack. The malicious script used on the compromised Web site utilized the Internet Explorer vulnerability CVE-2013-7331 which allows resources loaded into memory to be queried. <http://www.securityweek.com/website-us-oil-and-gas-company-abused-watering-hole-attack>

(International) Hackers penetrated systems of key defense contractors. The computer systems of U.S. Transportation Command (TRANSCOM) contractors were successfully hacked by individuals associated with the Chinese government at least 20 times in one year, the Senate Armed Services Committee found. TRANSCOM was only aware of 2 intrusions but an investigation determined that in a 12-month period there were about 50 intrusions or other cyber-related events into their computer networks. <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=17375>

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

(National) Bank tellers helped steal identities, \$850G, A.G. says. Five people, including three bank tellers at branches in New York and Florida, were indicted September 16 in White Plains, New York, for allegedly running an identity theft and bank fraud ring that stole over \$850,000 in funds as well as customers' personal information over at least 4 years. The tellers allegedly supplied information to their co-conspirators that enabled them to create fraudulent checks, driver's licenses, and other documents used to withdraw the stolen funds from bank branches in Connecticut, Massachusetts, and New York. <http://www.lohud.com/story/news/local/westchester/2014/09/16/officials-bank-tellers-others-stole-identities-k/15744627/>

(International) 'Tiny banker' malware targets US financial institutions. Researchers at Avast analyzed an updated variant of the Tiny Banker (also known as Tinba) financial malware and found that it is now able to target new financial institutions including ones in the U.S. The malware can inject HTML fields into banking Web sites when a user visits them in order to collect personal and login

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information. <http://www.networkworld.com/article/2684113/tiny-banker-malware-targets-us-financial-institutions.html>

(National) Feds sue Corinthian Colleges, alleging predatory lending. Orange County-based Corinthian Colleges Inc. was sued by the U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau September 16 for allegedly deceiving tens of thousands of students by operating an illegal lending scheme. The for-profit college operator's plan forced students to take out private loans costing more than \$500 million since July 2011 after raising tuition above federal aid limits.

<http://www.latimes.com/la-fi-corinthian-colleges-sued-by-consumer-financial-protection-bureau-20140916-story.html>

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(New York) Insider credit card breach leads to \$400,000 Saks shopping spree. Authorities arrested six former employees of a New York City Saks Fifth Avenue store September 5 for allegedly stealing the payment card information of at least 22 customers from store computers and using the data to purchase \$400,000 in merchandise, some of which was returned to the store for refunds that were delivered to accounts in the suspects' control.

<http://www.esecurityplanet.com/network-security/insider-credit-card-breach-leads-to-400000-saks-shopping-sprees.html>

(Indiana) Police disable 2 improvised explosive devices. The Indiana State Patrol's Explosive Ordinance Disposal team disabled two 10-inch long improvised explosive devices that were discovered by a city parks employee September 16 inside Collett Park in Terre Haute. Officials reported that one device appeared to have been ignited but failed to detonate.

<http://www.theindychannel.com/news/local-news/police-disable-2-improvised-explosive-devices>

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

(Virginia) Communication outage could affect 911 calls. Internet, land line, and some cellular phone service was disrupted for CenturyLink customers around the Lake Monticello area in Fluvanna County September 18 due to a cut fiber optic line. Officials warned the public that 9-1-1 calls may also be impacted as well.

http://www.fluvannareview.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=5983:outage

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

(National) N.H.T.S.A. posts recall of 25,000 Fiat 500L models. Fiat Chrysler announced a recall released September 17 for around 25,500 model year 2014-2015 Fiat 500L vehicles due to irregularities in the driver's side knee airbags that could prevent them from inflating properly during an accident.

<http://www.nytimes.com/2014/09/18/automobiles/nhtsa-posts-recall-of-25000-fiat-500l-models.html>

(National) Fire risk prompts Toyota recall of Camry, Sienna, Highlander, Lexus RX. Toyota announced September 18 that it will recall around 20,000 model year 2014 Toyota Avalon, Camry, Highlander, Sienna, and model year 2015 Lexus RX vehicles equipped with the 2GR-FE engine due to insufficient welding on the right fuel delivery pipe, creating the potential for fuel to leak and increase the chance of a fire. <http://www.latimes.com/business/autos/la-fi-hy-toyota-camry-rx-sienna-recall-20140918-story.html>

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

EMERGENCY SERVICES

(Tennessee) State issues alternative emergency numbers for cell phones. The Tennessee Emergency Communications Board and the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency issued a new phone number to replace 9-1-1 when dialing from a cell phone to several counties in west Tennessee September 15 in response to a disruption that caused calls made from cell phones to be rerouted

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due to flood damaged equipment.

<http://www.memphisflyer.com/NewsBlog/archives/2014/09/15/state-issues-alternate-emergency-number-for-cell-phones>

ENERGY

(California) FBI: 2013 attack on power grid easy to execute. The FBI reported its findings September 9 regarding the April 2013 attack on a Pacific Electric Co., power station near San Jose, stating that it involved only one shooter and it did not require access to technology or a high level of training. The incident involved at least one person lifting heavy manhole covers, climbing under the road, and cutting AT&T fiber optic cables, temporarily knocking out 9-1-1 and phone service before a shooter fired into the substation, damaging several transformers.

<http://abc7news.com/news/fbi-2013-attack-on-power-grid-easy-to-execute/304854/>

(North Dakota) Two spills reported in Mountrail County. Oasis Petroleum reported a 3 barrel spill of oil and 500 barrel spill of hydraulic fracturing water in Mountrail County to the North Dakota Oil and Gas Division September 16. The water and oil were contained at the Manhattan Federal 5792 11-2H well site and all but 1 barrel of oil and 20 barrels of water were recovered.

<http://www.jamestownsun.com/content/two-spills-reported-mountrail-county>

(Pennsylvania) Range Resources to pay \$4.15M penalty. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection announced September 18 that Range Resources will pay \$4.15 million to settle violations after contaminating soil through its six Marcellus Shale gas drilling and fracking wastewater impoundments in Washington County. The company will close five of its impoundments and upgrade two others to adhere to safety standards, as well as monitor and potentially remediate their closed sites if any contamination is found. <http://www.post-gazette.com/local/2014/09/18/DEP-orders-Range-Resources-to-pay-4-million-fine/stories/201409180293>

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

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GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(Colorado) 4 students hurt, 1 seriously, in Denver lab fire. A fire that ignited while a teacher was conducting a demonstration with methanol in the chemistry laboratory at the Science, Math and Arts Academy charter school in Denver injured four students September 15. Officials are investigating the incident. <http://abcnews.go.com/Technology/wireStory/students-hurt-lab-fire-25514138>

(Missouri) Man charged in attempted fire bombing of Missouri congressman's office. Authorities arrested a man and charged him September 17 with attempting to fire-bomb the Kansas City office of a Missouri congressman using two bottles filled with charcoal lighter fluid September 11. The building was empty and neither bottle went through the window during the incident. <http://news.msn.com/crime-justice/man-charged-in-attempted-fire-bombing-of-missouri-congressmans-office>

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

(International) Four vulnerabilities patched in IntegraXor SCADA. The Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) issued an advisory September 11 advising users of Ecava Sdn Bhd's IntegraXor supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) server software to patch their systems after four remotely exploitable vulnerabilities were discovered. The software is primarily used for industrial automation in firms managing railways, sewage systems, telecommunications, and heavy engineering. <http://threatpost.com/four-vulnerabilities-patched-in-integraxor-scada-server>

(International) Series of vulnerabilities found in Schneider Electric SCADA products. An advisory from the Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) warned users of Schneider Electric StruxureWare SCADA Expert ClearSCADA products after researchers discovered unpatched, remotely-exploitable vulnerabilities. Included in the vulnerabilities is a cross-site scripting (XSS) issue that could allow industrial control systems (ICS) to be shut down, while an authentication bypass issue could give attackers access to sensitive information. <http://threatpost.com/series-of-vulnerabilities-found-in-schneider-electric-scada-products>

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(International) THREE QUARTERS of Android mobes open to web page spy bug.

A Metasploit developer released a Metasploit module for a vulnerability in Android versions 4.2.1 and below that was discovered September 1, which could automate an exploitation of the vulnerability and allow attackers behind a malicious Web page to see users' other open pages and hijack sessions.

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/09/16/three_quarters_of_droid_phones_open_to_web_page_spy_bug/

PUBLIC HEALTH

(International) Dragonfly malware targeting pharmaceutical companies. Belden and RedHat Cyber researchers determined the Dragonfly (Havrex) malware is likely targeting pharmaceutical companies after findings uncovered that the malware contained an Industrial Protocol Scanner module that searched for devices often found in consumer packaged goods industries and that the Dragonfly attack is similar in nature to the Epic Turla campaign, among other findings. http://www.net-security.org/malware_news.php?id=2865

(Michigan) Michigan doctor admits giving patients unnecessary cancer treatments. A Detroit-area cancer doctor pleaded guilty September 16 to convincing patients to undergo unnecessary cancer treatments and then billing insurers. The doctor submitted roughly \$225 million in claims to Medicare and private insurers over 6 years for chemotherapy and other cancer treatments. <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2014/09/17/michigan-doctor-admits-giving-patients-unnecessary-cancer-treatments/>

(International) A Frightening Curve: How Fast Is The Ebola Outbreak Growing? So if help doesn't arrive in time — and the growth rate stays the same — then 15,000 Ebola cases in mid-October could turn into 30,000 cases by mid-November, and 60,000 cases by mid-December.

<http://www.npr.org/blogs/goatsandsoda/2014/09/18/349341606/why-the-math-of-the-ebola-epidemic-is-so-scary>

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TRANSPORTATION

(Arizona) Shooting suspect captured at Sky Harbor. Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport in Arizona reopened Terminal 4 after authorities locked it down for over 3 hours and grounded its flights September 18 in search of three suspects connected to a shooting at a nearby Tempe gasoline station. Police located and arrested all three suspects. <http://www.azfamily.com/news/Police-search-for-Tempe-shooting-suspects-at-Sky-Harbor-275669941.html>

WATER AND DAMS

(Wisconsin) Untreated wastewater discharged into Fox River. About 7,000 gallons of untreated wastewater was discharged from a vent pipe into the Fox River in De Pere September 12 due to a closed valve at the NEW Water facility. Authorities were notified and the flow was stopped. <http://www.greenbaypressgazette.com/story/news/local/2014/09/12/untreated-wastewater-discharged-fox-river/15539251/>

NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center:** 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 **State Radio:** 800-472-2121; **Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI):** 701-328-5500; **North Dakota Highway Patrol:** 701-328-2455; **US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst:** 701-297-7400; **Bismarck FBI:** 701-223-4875; **Fargo FBI:** 701-232-7241.

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